

VDF Leaders and ALL VDF Members;

1. The VDF was extremely successful in hosting the annual SGAUS conference in Richmond this past weekend!!!!!! The VDF support personnel were dedicated, professional, and represented all of us very well as an organization.

I commend BG Eberhardt, the VDF Conference Committee members, VDF support personnel and CSM Williamson for their outstanding support!!!!!!!!!!

2. "As the SGAUS President for 2010, I will serve each and every member and all State Commanders to gain national recognition for the State Defense Forces and State Guards with DoD, NGAUS, AGAUS, ARNG and ANG senior leadership and with Congress to pass the SDF Improvement Act. The SGAUS executive organization will develop a membership action plan to reach 5,000 members in 2010, draft a near and far term strategic plan and public relations program, revise the SGAUS web page, and will explore the possibility of scholarship awards for SGAUS members during the next 90 days for approval by the SGAUS Board of Directors."

3. The VDF needs to have more SGAUS members to lead the way to 5,000 members in 2010. I request your consideration to join today. CSM Williamson/SGAUS State Chapter President is the POC for the VDF and will be available at the Div FTX next month at Ft Pickett.

Also, I have also posted a talking points paper to inform potential members what SGAUS is all about for each of them.

4. If you have any areas that you desire SGAUS to work the next month, let your chain of command know ASAP. I will personally lead the effort with the SGAUS Board of Directors.

5. The SGAUS organization exists solely to serve you as a member. The next 12 months will be a success for the national organization based on your input and support at the State level.

Thanks,

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CG, VDF and SGAUS President